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SUBJECT: UNESCO INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON THE
TEACHING OF HUMAN RIGHTS (CATEGORY IV), VIENNA,
SEPTEMBER 12-16, 1978

FOR GEORGE DALLEY, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY I.O.

SUMMARY: DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY SECRETARIAT
TO EXPRESS ITS DESIRE AND THAT OF THE GOA TO NAME THE
US PERMREP AS A VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL
CONGRESS ON THE TEACHING OF HUMAN RIGHTS, SCHEDULED FOR
VIENNA, SEPTEMBER 12-16, 1978.

1. KARL VASAK, UNESCO SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL AND SECRE-
TARY OF ABOVE-MENTIONED CONGRESS EXPRESSED TO PERMDEL
THAT GOA HAD NAMED WILLIBALD PAHR, FEDERAL MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, AS CONGRESS PRESIDENT.

2. AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON NAMING THREE (3) VICE-

PRESIDENTS, I.E., ONE FROM USG, ONE FROM USSR, AND A
THIRD WORLD NATION. RAPPORTER AND WORKING COMMITTEE
CHAIRMEN WILL BE SUBJECT TO SAME GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRI-
BUTION.

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3. THE SECRETARIAT, IN CONCERT WITH GOA, HAS SUGGESTED
AMBASSADOR TORRES STAND IN FOR VICE-PRESIDENT USG
POSITION.

4. PERMDEL BELIEVES THIS TO BE IMPORTANT POSITION AT
A CONFERENCE WHERE U.S. INTEREST IS HIGH AND REQUESTS

DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZATION AND DESIGNATION OF AMB. TORRES
TO U.S. DELEGATION AS PARTICIPANT.

5. SUCH DESIGNATION IS REQUESTED WITH FISCAL SUPPORT
FROM I.O. TO COVER PER DIEM, TRAVEL AND RELATED COST
AS MISSION BUDGET IS DEPLETED FOR CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.
APPROXIMATE AMOUNT REQUESTED: ONE THOUSAND (\$1,00U)
DOLLARS.
TORRES

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